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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE VISITORS OF WILLIAM
AND MARY COLLEGE, 1716.**

[LUDWELL PAPERS, VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTIONS.]

At a Generall meeting of the Visitors & Governors of the Colledge of William & Mary held in the Convocation Roome of the said Colledge the 26th day of March, 1716.

PRESENT.

The Hon^{ble} Alexander Spottswood, Rector.

James Blair,*	Mr. Beverley, ¶
Philip Ludwell, †	Mr. Bland,**
William Basset, Esq., ‡	Mr. Clayton, ††
Mr. Smith, §	Mr. Burwell, ††
Mr. Anderson,	and
Mr. Jones,	Mr. Randolph. §§

Mr. Jackson declining the keeping the Colledge Table accord-

* James Blair, D. D., educated at Edinburgh, came to Virginia in 1685; appointed commissary of the Bishop of London and *ex-officio* member of the Council in 1690; was the father of William and Mary College and its first president; married the daughter of Hon. Benjamin Harrison, of "Wakefield," Surry county, and died in 1743, having been a minister for fifty-eight, commissary and councillor fifty-four, and President of the College fifty years. His brother, Archibald Blair, M. D., also came to Virginia; was member of the House of Burgesses for Jamestown in 1718 and for James' City county in 1723, and dying in 1736, left issue: I. John,² born 1686, died November, 1771; member of the House of Burgesses, Auditor, member and President of the Council, and acting Governor in 1768; married Mary, daughter of Rev. John Monroe; II. Harrison,² married Dr. George Gilmer; III. Elizabeth,⁴ married, in 1728, Colonel John Bolling, of "Cobbs," Henrico, now Chesterfield. John and Mary (Monroe) Blair had issue: I. John,⁵ Burgess 1769, &c., chief justice of the General Court, judge of the High Court of Chancery and of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, member of the Philadelphia Convention of 1787, and justice of the U. S. Supreme Court; died August 31, 1800, leaving no children who survived childhood; II. James,³ M. D., married, in 1771, Kitty Eustace, of New York, and *d. s. p.* December, 1772; III.

ing to his former Agreement, It is ordered that notice be given

Sarah,³ married Colonel Wilson Cary, of "Ceeleys," Warwick county; IV. Ann,³ married Colonel John Banister, of "Battersea," Dinwiddie county; V. Christian,³ born 1727, died January 2, 1784; married Colonel Armistead Burwell, of "Stoneland," Mecklenburg county; VI. Elizabeth, married, in 1768, Captain William Thompson, of the British Navy.

† Philip Ludwell, son of Philip Ludwell, of "Greenspring," James City county, Virginia, who was Governor of Carolina and long member of the Virginia Council, and his wife, Lucy, daughter of Robert Higginson, and widow of Lewis Burwell and William Bernard, was born at "Carter's Creek," Gloucester, and died January 11, 1726-7. He was member of the Council and Auditor-General of Virginia, and married, November 11, 1697, Hannah, daughter of Benjamin Harrison, Esq., of "Wakefield" (sister to the wife of Dr. Blair). They had: (1) Lucy, who married Colonel John Grymes, of "Brandon," Middlesex, Receiver-General and member of the Council; (2) Hannah, married Thomas Lee, President of the Council, and was mother of the signers of the Declaration of Independence; (3) Philip, born at "Greenspring" December 28, 1716, married Frances, daughter of Charles Grymes, of Richmond county; was member of the Council, and died in England March 25, 1767. With him the male line of the Virginia Ludwells ended.

‡ William Bassett, of "Eltham," New Kent county, Virginia, son of Captain William Bassett and his wife, Bridget, daughter of Miles Cary, was born 1670 and died October 11, 1723; was a member of the House of Burgesses and the Council, and married Joanna, daughter of Lewis Burwell (2d), of "Carter's Creek," also a member of the Council. He was the father of William Bassett, of "Eltham," member of the House of Burgesses, who died in 1744; grandfather of Burwell Bassett, of "Eltham," member of the House of Burgesses, of the Revolutionary Convention and of that of 1788, and great grandfather of Burwell Bassett, of "Eltham," M. C. 1805-13, 1815-19, and 1821-31.

§ John Smith, of Gloucester county, son of Colonel Lawrence Smith, of the same county, was member of the Council 1715, &c., and County Lieutenant of Gloucester. He had numerous descendants in Gloucester.

|| Rev. Emmanuel Jones, son of John Jones, of Anglesea, matriculated at Oriel College, Oxford, April 26, 1687, aged 19; B. A. 3d March, 1691-2; came to Virginia in 1700, and was minister of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester, until his death January 29, 1738. His tomb, with a mutilated coat-of-arms, is at the site of Petsworth Church. His son, Emmanuel, was usher at the College and master of the Indian School.

¶ Peter Beverley, of Gloucester county, Speaker of the House of Bur-

by the Governors of the Colledge that such persons as are will-

gesses, Treasurer, and member of the Council. See this Magazine, October, 1895.

** Richard Bland, of "Jordan's Point," Prince George county, born August 11, 1665, died April 10, 1720. He was son of Theoderick Bland, of "Berkeley" and "Westover," Charles City county, who was Speaker of the House of Burgesses and member of the Council; was himself a member of the House of Burgesses; married Elizabeth, daughter of William Randolph, of "Turkey Island," Henrico county, and was father of Richard Bland, of "Jordan's Point," born May 6, 1710, died October 26, 1776, the distinguished statesman of the Revolution, and member of the Old Congress.

†† John Clayton, born 1665, died November 18, 1737, studied at one of the universities (probably Cambridge), admitted to the Inner Temple June 6, 1682; was called to the bar, and coming to Virginia in 1705, was appointed Attorney-General of the Colony in 1714, and held the office until his death. He was also judge of the Court of Admiralty, frequently a member of the House of Burgesses, presiding justice of James City county, and recorder of Williamsburg. He was brother of Lieutenant-General Jasper Clayton, of the English Army, who was killed at Dettingen 1743; son of Sir John Clayton, of London, and Parson's Green, Fulham, Middlesex, England, and of the Inner Temple, who was knighted 1664, and his wife, Alice, daughter of Sir William Bowyer, of Denham, Bucks., Baronet; and grandson of Sir Jasper Clayton, of St. Edmunds, Lombard Street, London, Mercer, who was knighted at Guildhall July 5, 1660.

Attorney-General Clayton had issue: I. John, born at Fulham, England, 1685, and died in Gloucester county, Virginia, December 15, 1773. He came to Virginia in 1705, was an eminent botanist, member of some of the most learned societies of Europe, President of the Virginia Society for Promoting Useful Knowledge, 1773, and author of "Flora Virginica." He was for fifty years clerk of Gloucester, and had a botanical garden at his estate, "Windsor," in that county. He married, January 2, 1723, Elizabeth Whiting, of Gloucester; II. Arthur, stated by his brother to have been "clerk of a county on the upper part of York River" [New Kent?], and who died in 1733, his wife surviving him. Whether they had children is not known; III. Thomas, M. D., educated at Pembroke College, Cambridge, and afterwards completed his medical studies in London; married Isabella Lewis, of "Warner Hall," Gloucester county, Virginia, and died October 17, 1739, aged 38. He had an only child who died in infancy. His armorial tomb is at "Warner Hall."

John Clayton, the botanist, had several sons and daughters. He states

ing to undertake the keeping of the Colledge table do deliver in their proposals to the Rector of the Colledge between this and the next Generall Court, and that thereupon the Rector be im-powered and desired to call a committee for considering the said

in a letter that his eldest son was named John, and that as soon as he was prepared he would send him to Cambridge. He also was the father of Captain Jasper Clayton, of "Windsor," clerk of the Gloucester Committee of Safety in 1775-6, and who, in 1776, had two sons, Jasper and Thomas Whiting Clayton. Jasper Clayton, Jr., the last named, is said to have served in the cavalry of the Revolutionary army. He married Courtney, daughter of Colonel John Baylor, of "Newmarket," Caroline county, and had issue: (1) Arthur B., born 1800, died March 31, 1845; married his cousin, Jane Hatley Baylor, of "Newmarket," and was the father of Jasper S. Clayton, of Chesterfield county; (2) Baylor; (3) Caroline; (4) Courtney, married — Harris, of Nelson county.

Colonel William Clayton, of New Kent, who was a member of the House of Burgesses from 1769 (and perhaps earlier) to 1774, of the Conventions of 1776 and 1788, and of the House of Delegates, and Colonel William Beverley Clayton, who was clerk of New Kent from 1787 to 1803, and perhaps later, are stated to have been of this family. Arthur Clayton, who was a member of the House of Delegates from Louisa in 1817 and 1818, Jasper S. Clayton, who was appointed a justice of Matthews county in 1791, and Joseph and James Clayton, who were living in Gloucester in 1840, were doubtless also of this family. A letter written in 1776 says there were then at "Windsor" the library and herbarium of John Clayton, and a number of portraits by Kneller and others [what has become of these portraits?]. The Clayton arms are: *Argent, a cross engrailed sable, between four torteaux.* See *Wallace's Historical Magazine*, October, 1891, for proofs of descent given above, with extracts from letters, &c., and an engraving of the arms. Any additional information in regard to this family of Clayton will be published with pleasure in the Magazine.

‡‡ Probably Nathaniel Burwell, of "Carter's Creek," son of Lewis Burwell, of the Council, who was a member of the House of Burgesses, married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Carter, of "Corotoman," and died in 1721, leaving issue: Lewis Burwell, President of the Council and acting Governor; Robert Burwell, of Isle of Wight county, also member of the Council; Carter Burwell, of "The Grove," James City county, and others. Or it may have been Lewis Burwell, of "King's Mill," James City county, a half brother of Nathaniel.

‡‡ Probably William Randolph, of "Turkey Island," second of the name, who was afterwards member of the Council.

proposals, and agreeing on such Terms as the said committee shall Judge reasonable.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Ministers who preach before the Generall Court, together with such of the Governors of the Colledge as shall then be in Town, on the next Monday after such preaching Respectively to examine the scholars, what progress they have made in their Learning pursuant to a former order of the Visitors & Governors, and that it be also recommended to such of the Clergy as are Governors at the colledge that whenever their occasions shall call them to Town, to take the trouble of examining the said scholars, and to report what they think necessary therein to the next Generall meeting.

Ordered, That it be an established Rule for the future that the masters of the Colledge allow no more play days to the scholars at the Request of any person whatever than one afternoon in a month, except onely upon the comeing of a new scholar, when they may allow one afternoon extraordinary upon every such occasion and no more.

The Rector acquainting the Visitors & Governors that upon Mr. Jackson's declining to teach the Indian children he had appointed Mr. Christopher Smith to succeed him in that Employment, and said Christopher Smith is hereby approved of as a Master to that said Indian * * and ordered that he have the same allowance of Sallary as was given Mr. Jackson.

The office of Deputy Surveyor Generall being vaccant by the death of Major William Buckner* it is the opinion of this meet-

* Major William Buckner, of York county. He was appointed justice of that county 1694, was sheriff 1695 and 1696, and member of the House of Burgesses 1698 and 1699. He is frequently mentioned in contemporary records, and appears to have been a merchant with extensive business in the colony and England. He was probably a grandson of John Buckner, the immigrant. There is on record in Stafford the will of Philip Buckner (who was a justice of that county in 1693), dated November 21, 1699, and proved April 10, 1700. His legatees were Judy Boltrup, and his sons, Robert and Andrew; he appoints his "cozen Wm. Buckner of York" his executor, and in case he refused to act, his "cozen Thomas Buckner of York." The executor is to take his sons down [to York] with him that they may have learning. William and Thomas Buckner were doubtless brothers. The latter, Major Thomas

ing that Coll^o Peter Beverley be appointed to execute said office, and that it is proper the Commission issue in the name of President Blair as onely surviving Trustee of the Colledge now resident in Virginia, by and with the advice of the Visitors and Governors.

Resolved, That all the surveyors be forthwith required to take out New Commissions for their respective offices.

Resolved, That the said surveyors do give bond with good security for duly answering to the Colledge yearly in April General Court the share due to the Colledge out of the profits of their respective offices.

Resolved, That the Deputy Surveyor Genⁿ have power to suspend such of the s^d surveyors as shall fail to make such payments.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Surveyor Genⁿ that he give noe new commission to any of the present Surveyors untill they have respectively paid all the arrears due from them to the Colledge.

Ordered, That the surveyors in the Northern Neck be under the same regulation as the surveyors of the other counties in this Colony.

Resolved, That the fee to the surveyor Genⁿ for every surveyors commission in the countys of Stafford, Richmond, Essex, King & Queen, King William, New Kent, Henrico, Prince George, Surry, Isle of Wight & Nansemond, being the Frontier couties, be two guineas, and for each of the other Inland countys, one guinea.

Buckner, was a Burgess for York 1698 and 1699. There was in York in 1698 a suit between Thomas Buckner and Sarah, his wife, and David Alexander and Ann, his wife (Sarah and Ann being daughters and co-heirs of Mr. Francis Morgan), in regard to a tract of land patented by their grandfather, Francis Morgan, September 23, 1637. John Buckner, probably a son of one of these brothers, was justice of York 1728-41, and Burgess for that county in 1736. There is in York a deed, dated 1751, from Griffin Stith, of Northampton county, conveying a lot in Yorktown which John Buckner, of Yorktown, left him by his will recorded in King George county. There is on record in Stafford a power of attorney, dated March 21, 1699, from William Buckner, of Yorktown, to Francis Coney, formerly of Yorktown, but now resident in Stafford, to act for him in regard to the will of his (William Buckner's) uncle, Philip Buckner.

And for the farther Encouragement of the said Surveyor Gen^l it is ordered that five per cent be allowed him on all Money he shall Receive from the Respective Surveyors for the benefitt of the Colledge.

On the severall petitions of Henry Baker* and John Milner† for the office of Narizemond, vacant by the death of Coll^o Thomas

* Henry Baker, of Nansemond, was doubtless a member of a family long prominent in that county and Isle of Wight. In 1644 Lawrence Baker and James Taylor patented 500 acres in Hog Island, in the present Surry county. Captain Lawrence Baker, doubtless the same person, was a justice of Surry from 1652 to his death in 1681, and a member of the House of Burgesses from 1666 to 1677. His will was dated March 18 and proved September 6, 1681, and by it he left his whole estate to his wife, Elizabeth, and his daughter, Catherine, wife of Arthur Allen, of Surry county. There is on record in Surry an acknowledgment, dated May, 1676, of a deed to Henry Gray by Lawrence and Henry Baker, attorneys of "Mr. Baker" for that purpose. Also a power of attorney, May, 1676, from Elizabeth, wife of Lawrence Baker, to her kinsman, Henry Baker, authorizing him to acknowledge a deed made by said Lawrence Baker. The will of a Henry Baker, dated February 24, 1697, was proved in Surry July 2, 1700. His legatees were his wife, Sarah, youngest daughter, Rebecca, sons, Henry, Edward, and William, grandson, William Baker, and daughters, Mary, Susannah, Elizabeth, Alice, Sarah, and Anne. Also in Surry a certificate of the court, March 4, 1683-4, for land to Henry Baker in consideration of his coming twice to Virginia. In a grant of 1,300 acres in Isle of Wight to Henry Mathews, July 10, 1666, Lawrence Baker, Elizabeth Baker, John Baker, James Baker, and Joseph Baker are among the head-rights. Henry Baker was a justice of Isle of Wight 1685, 1698, and 1702. Henry Baker sheriff of Nansemond 1712. There is recorded in Surry a deed, dated 1704, to Lawrence Baker, of Isle of Wight. Henry Baker patented land in Nansemond 1699. Lawrence Baker was vestryman of Newport Parish, Isle of Wight, 1724. — Baker Burgess for Nansemond 1738. James Baker surveyor of Isle of Wight 1744. Richard Baker vestryman of the upper parish of Isle of Wight 1747. Richard Baker Burgess for Isle of Wight 1768 and 1769. Richard Baker, clerk of Isle of Wight, died October, 1771. Benjamin Baker member of Convention of 1774 from Nansemond. In 1762 Richard Baker petitioned the General Assembly for pay for the services of his brother, James Baker, a lieutenant in the Virginia regiment, who had raised large bodies of Tuscarora and Nottoway Indians and marched them to the defence of the frontiers, and had been killed in action near Fort Duquesne. The Assembly took favorable action on the petition. Lawrence Baker sheriff of Isle of

Milner, the visitors do hereby nominate Mr. Henry Baker to be surveyor of the said County if upon examination he shall be found qualified for that Employment.

On the petition of Zorobabel Presson he is hereby appointed surveyor of Northampton County if upon Examination he shall be found fitt for that Employment.

On the petition of H * * * appointed surveyor of the county of Westmoreland * * * * Thompson deceased if upon examination he shall be found Qualified for that Employment.

On the petition of Richard * * hereby nominated surveyor of York County in the room of * * illiam Buckner deceased if upon examination he shall be found Qualified for that Employment.

Cole Diggs* Gent: is elected a v * * Governor of the Colledge in the Room of Major William Buckner deceased.

Wight 1785-6. Benjamin Baker member of the House of Delegates from Nansemond in 1820. Judge Richard H. Baker, of Norfolk, was of the Isle of Wight and Nansemond family. There is recorded in Surry a power of attorney, dated October 20, 1705, from Madam Sarah Bland to Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Baker.

† Colonel Thomas Milner lived in Nansemond in 1675; was clerk of the House of Burgesses 1681-4, and Speaker 1691-3. His daughter, Mary, born August 6, 1667, married Colonel Miles Cary, of "Richneck," Warwick, and died October 27, 1700. The family of Milner was long resident in Nansemond. Francis Milner was sheriff of that county in 1699, and justice 1702. Thomas Milner was a Burgess from Nansemond 1702, and justice and surveyor. John Milner lived in Nansemond in 1742. "Thomas Milner, Jr." lived in the county in 1755, and a Thomas Milner owned land and probably lived there in 1772. The tomb of Mrs. Mary (Milner) Cary bears arms: *per pale or and sable a chevron between these horse-bits countercharged*. Crest: *A horse's head couped, ar, bridled and maned or*; and the epitaph states she was the daughter of Thomas and Mary Milner, late of Nansemond county, deceased; so the first Colonel Milner died before 1700.

* Cole Digges, of "Belfield," York county, born 1692, died 1744, was son of Dudley Digges, member of the Council, grandson of Edward Digges, Governor of Virginia, and great grandson of Sir Dudley Digges, master of the Rolls, *temp.* Charles I. Cole Digges was a member of the House of Burgesses and was appointed to the Council in 1719. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Dr. Henry Power, of York county, and

On the petition of William Levingston* leave is given him to make use of the lower Room at the South end of the Colledge for teaching the Scholars and others to dance untill his own dancing school in Williamsburg be finished.

William Craig is hereby appointed Porter of the Colledge and ordered that he take care that the Gates be safely locked & Secured each night, that no vagrant person be permitted to loyter or lodge in the s^d Colledge, and that the chimneys be kept clean swept. And it is further ordered that he take charge of the Colledge pasture and account with the Colledge for the profits thereof untill some person be appointed to keep the Colledge Table.

The visitors & Governors proceeded to the choice of a Rector for the ensuing year, and thereupon Coll^o Philip Ludwell was chosen Rector, & accordingly took the oath for the due execution of his s^d office.

At a General meeting of the Visitors & Governors of the Colledge of William and Mary held the 13th of June 1716.

PRESENT.

Philip Ludwell, Esq: Rector.

The Hon^{ble} Alexander Spotswood, Governor.

Mr. President Blair,	Mr. Beverly,
John Smith, Esq.,	Mr. Clayton,
Nath ⁿ Harrison,† Esq.,	Mr. Bland,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Diggs,
Mr. Anderson.	

was the father of Dudley Digges, member of the General Committee of Safety in 1775-6, and of the Council of State during the Revolution.

* William Levingston, in 1716, contracted with Charles Stagg and Mary, his wife, dancing master and theatrical manager, to operate the first theatre in America at Williamsburg. Levingston is styled "of New Kent, merchant." The theatre was built where the Tucker house now stands, and plays produced until Stagg's death. *York Records in William and Mary Quarterly*.

† Nathaniel Harrison, of "Wakefield," Surry county, born August 8, 1677, died November 30, 1727, was son of Benjamin Harrison, of "Wakefield" (also of the Council), and was member of the Council and Auditor. He was ancestor of the Harrisons of "Wakefield" and "Brandon."

Mr. Cole Diggs being chosen a visitor and Governor of the Colledge took the usuall oath for the due discharge of that trust.

Mr. Blackamore by his petition signifying his inclination to goe for England at the end of six months and praying that the visitors and Governors will be pleased to acquit him of a small debt due to the Colledge and likewise take off his books and Globes which are proper for the Colledge Library at a reasonable price for the better enabling him to discharge his engagements here. It is accordingly ordered that the s^d Mr. Blackamore be discharged at the end of the said six months from his attendance as master of the Grammar School. And it is further ordered that it be referred to Mr. Com'y Blair to examine into the value of the debt due from the said Blackamore and if it exceed not Twenty pounds that the same be remitted him, And it is also ordered that the Books & Globes belonging to the said Blackamore be valued and purchased for the use of the Colledge Library in case the said Blackamore * * dispose thereof before his departure out of the Country.

Ordered that it be referred * * * committee to make enquiry as soon as possible if a fitt person can be found in this Country to be master of the Grammar School upon Mr. Blackamores * * and if none such is to be found here that they then have power to * * L. Bishop of London Chancellor of the Colledge requesting his * * * send one Quallified for that charge from England, and that they * * * the Secretary of the society for propogating the Gospell, that if amongst the several men of Learning that apply to the Society for Imployments in the Plantations, he knows of any fitt for the office aforesaid, he will be pleased to recommend them to the Bishop of London for his Lord^{sh}s approbation.

Ordered, that it be referred to the said committee to treat & agree with any person who shall undertake the keeping of the Colledge Table upon the best terms they can, having regard to the characters and circumstances of the persons that offer.

Resolved, That the bedsteads of the scholars be made of Iron according to the model prepared by Daniel Jones.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee to send to England for Standing furniture for the Colledge Kitchen, Brewhouse,

and Laundry, & that they also send for a bell of 18 inches Diameter at the Brimms for the use of the Colledge.

On the motion of the surveyor Genⁿ, Resolved, that the surveyors ought to account yearly for all surveys by them made whether they have received payment for them or not at the time of their accounting.

Ordered, that William Lowry * surveyor of Warwick & Eliz: City Countys have allowance in his next account for 291 pounds of Tobacco paid by him to Major Buckner more than he was chargeable with.

Zerobabel Preson being deputed by the Surveyor Genⁿ to be surveyor of the county of Accomack in the Room of Charles Bailey dec'd is approved of by the Visitors & Governors.

Whereas, the Hon^{ble} his Majestys Lieutenant Governor was this day pleased to informe this meeting that for sundry reasons he did not think Simon Jeffrys a fitt person to execute the office of Surveyor, nor to be entrusted in any office wherein his Majestys Right concerned, And desiring that the visitors and Governors would enquire into the caractere and behaviour of the s^d Jeffrys, It is thereupon ordered, that the s^d Simon Jeffrys be suspended from his office of Surveyor of James City County untill the next Genⁿ meeting.

The visitors and Governors taking into consideration the great want of a Professor of Philosophy and Mathematicks, and being resolved (now that the expense of building is now well nigh at an end) to provide according to the ability of the Colledge from time to time such masters as are necessary have thought fitt to Order that it be referred to the Committee to write to my Lord Bishop of London to send in a fitt person for Professor of said sciences of Philosophy and Mathematicks, And whereas Mr. James Fontaine who hath for some years taught a private

* The will of William Lowry, dated May 15, was proved in Elizabeth City county September 16, 1724. Legatees: the four children of deceased daughter, Ann, wife of Thomas Kirbie; sons, William, John, and Captain Edward Lowry; daughter, Margaret Booker, grandson, William Booker, grandson, William Lowry, daughters-in-law, Martha Tabb, Mary Lowry, and Jane Lowry; son-in-law, Richard Booker. Speaks of his money in England and Ireland. He was one of the feoffees of Hampton in 1719.

accademy in the city of D. * * been recommended as a fitt person for that Imployment, That it be further recommended to his Lord^{sh} to enquire into the Qualifycations of the s^d Mr. Fontaine and if the same prove agreeable to his Lordship that the Visitors and Governors are desirous he should be preferred to any other that shall offer.

Ordered, That Math^r Allen be paid for the * * including the turning of the Bannisters fifteen pounds.

Mr. Diggs is hereby appointed * * * standing committee of the visitors and Governors in the Room of Mr. Buckner

On consideration of the petition * * * of Mr. Christopher Jackson, ordered that he be allowed and paid what he hath * * ged for Books for the Indian Boys and 4s. for each p. annum in consideration * * * them paper, pens and Ink.

Ordered that the Clerk of the * * * write to Mr. Perry to send in paper Quills and Ink powder for the use of * * Indian boys at the Colledge.

On the petition of Christopher Smith Master to the Indian children, ord^d that on considⁿ that there are but few of them now at the school he be allowed 25^s p annum, that he have pasturage for his horse, firewood for his chamber and the liberty of teaching such English Children as shall be put to him and that a partition be erected at the charge of the Colledge to separate the s^d English children from the Indians.

On reading the Several petitions of Robt: Macky, Robt: Mills James Mclaughland and Thomas Rue complaining against Valentine Minge surveyor of New Kent County for delaying to survey the several Tracts of Land ent^d for by the petition^r. It is ordered that the Surveyor Gen^l appoint him a time for laying off the s^d Land and in case he do not survey the same Accordingly he be suspended from his office.

At a meeting of the Masters & Visitors of the Colledge held June the 20th 1716.

PRESENT.

The Rector,
The Hon^{ble} the Governor,
Mr. President Blair,
Mr. Clayton.

This committee having no offer made them for keeping the Colledge table have thought fitt to order that the Visitors and Governors in their Several Neighborhoods do treat with any person or persons that shall be willing to undertake the same, and that upon reasonable offers made such persons have notice to attend the next General meeting.

Ordered that the Clerk of the Colledge prepare Letters for the Rectors signing pursuant to the directions of the last general meeting to the Bishop of London and Mr. James Fountain in relation to ye sd. Fountain's being Professor of Philosophy and Mathematicks at the Colledge.

Mr. Mongo Ingles* having signified his readiness to accept the office of Master of the Grammar School upon the Resignation of Mr. Blackamore, Mr. President Blair is desired * * * him that this Committeee do accept the s^d offer and that he may prepare * * * to enter into that office as soon as Mr. Blackamores time is expired.

Ordered, that the Clerk of the Colledge prepare an Invoice of such Kitchen furniture as is needed * the Colledge & send the same to Mr. Micajah and Richard Perry.

Ordered, that the furniture * mentioned be sent for from England for the use of the Colledge, viz:

- 2 Doz: handsome leather chairs for the Convocation Roome.
- 1 p^r of and Irons, Fire shovel and Tongs and Fender.
- 1 p. of Green broad cloath.
- 1 Ingeine for Quenching Fire.
- 2 Doz: leather Bucketts with the Colledge Cypher thereon.

Ordered, that the Clerk of the Colledge write to Mr. Perry to send in for the use of the Indian children such a number of Testaments, Bibles and the whole Duty of man as shall be necessary, and likewise paper Quills and Ink powder for the use of the s^d children.

* Mingo Ingles, a Scotchman, was master of the Grammar School of William and Mary in 1712. He married Anne, daughter of James Bray, Esq., of James City county. In 1753 their heir-at-law was Judith Bray Ingles, then the wife of William Armistead.

Ordered, that the clerk of the Colledge send for such paper Books as are necessary for the keeping the Colledge Accounts, together with paper Quills, penknives and Ink.

At a Generall meeting of the Visitors and Governors of the Colledge the 24th of October, 1716.

PRESENT.

Mr. Rector,

The Governor,
Robt. Carter, Esq.,
Mr. Pres'd^t Blair,
William Bassett, Esq.,
Nathⁿ Harrison, Esq.,

Mr. Beverley,
Mr. Clayton,
Mr. Burwell,
Mr. Diggs,
Mr. Bland.

Mr. Chiswell in behalf of Mrs. Mary Barrett offering to undertake the keeping the Colledge table at the rate of £11 p. annum for each scholar with the other advantages allowed to Mr. Jackson. The s^d Mrs. Barrett being also furnished at the expense of the Colledge with a servant to Shutt the Gates, ring the bell and to help to clean the house or in lue of such servant Ten pounds, and that the s^d Servant shall attend as Doorkeeper at the Public meetings of the visitors. The s^d proposall is accepted for one year, And it is ordered that the keeping of the table commence at the Return of the scholars after the Christmas vacation.

Ordered, that Mrs. Barrett take care that what firewood is used by her off the Colledge Land be in the first place of such Trees as are already fallen, in the next place such Trees as are decaying, and lastly that such growing Trees as shall be cut down for fireing be entirely used so farr as any part thereof are fitt for that purpose.

Ordered, that the out Houses about the Colledge be repaired for the use of the House Keeper, she being obliged to keep them in the like repair.

Ordered, that it be referred to the Committee to assign such Rooms as they shall Judge proper for the conveniency of the House Keeper and her servants.

Ordered, that Sash Glass be provided from England for the Colledge Hall and that the same be fitted up in frames * and that some spare Glass be also writ for to repair the windows of the Colledge.

The Committee reported that they had treated with Mr. Ingles and that he is willing to undertake the office of master of the Grammar School, and the said Mr. Ingles is accordingly approved.

Ordered that such tenants as are Seated on the Colledge Lands and have not yet had leases granted them shall have leases tendered them upon condition of paying all arrears of Rent already accrued.

Ordered that suit be brought against such surveyors and the Exec^{ors} of those that are dead as are in debt to the Colledge and that Mr. Attorney Gen^l be desired to consider of the proper way of bringing the s^d suits.

On the petition of Arthur Blackamore it is ordered that if he behaves himself well for the time he is to act as Master of the Grammar school he be allowed and paid £12 Curr^{nt} money in consideration of his furnishing firewood for the school for the time he has been master.

On the petition of Christopher Smith he is hereby nominated & appointed surveyor of New Kent County in the Roome of Valentine Minge.